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Titusville Amateur Radio Club

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Club Meeting: 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm, Titusville Public Library, 2121 S. Hopkins Ave.

"Eating Meeting", every Thursday 5:30-6:30PM at the roving restaurant. Talk-in 146.91 or contact Sherry Hughes @ 279-2796

Next Meeting: March 27th

The President's Corner by Bud Hughes K4CWG

Be mindful of what you ask a person to do. Some times if your request is carried out to the fullest you may get more than you asked for. Case in point:

The CIA had a need for an assassin. To hire the best qualified after the background checks, interviews and testing there were 3 finalist, two men and a woman.

For the final test, the CIA agents took one of the men to a large metal door and handed him a gun.

"We must know that you will follow your instructions no matter what the circumstances may be. Inside the room you will find your wife sitting in a chair. "Kill her!!!"

The man said, "You can't be serious, I could never shoot my wife". The agent said, "Then you are not the right man for this job. Take your wife and go home.

The second man was given the same instructions. He took the gun and went into the room. All was quiet for about 5 minutes. The man came out with tears in his eyes, "I tried, but I cannot kill my wife."

The agent said, "You don't have what it takes, take your wife and go home".

Finally it was the woman's turn. She was given the same instructions, to kill her husband. She took the gun and went into the room. Shots were heard, one after another. They heard screaming, crashing, banging on the walls.

After a few minutes, all was quiet. The door opened slowly and there stood the woman. She wiped the sweat from her brow. "The gun is loaded with blanks," she said. I had to beat him to death with a chair."

Of course this is not a true story, just an example to show that there are times when one does not really want you to do what they ask.

There is a great amount of wisdom in what young children say and it might be wise to follow their suggestions. For instance a third grader had good advice for his classmates. He said, "Never dare your little brother to paint the family car". Another classmate added, " Never try to baptize a cat", and "Always wear a hat when feeding seagulls". Then there was this little red headed boy who exhibited a great amount of wisdom by saying "If your daddy is mad at you and he says to you "Do I look stupid?" Do not smile at him and do not answer. It remains a mystery why one classmate said, "stay away from prunes."

If my math is correct after expenses the club's till was expanded by $359.00 from sales and donations at the Orlando Hamfest. This money does not include the required $50.00 deposit for swap tables at the 2008 Orlando Hamfest.

The club appreciates the donations of equipment and assistance in making the event fun and profitable. Thanks to all.

Most of you know our most popular "Eating Meeting" place, Village Inn donates to the club a percentage of the price of each meal. In order to benefit from this generosity, one must request a receipt after paying for your meal. Pass this receipt on to Sherry KU4ZO and she will redeem the donation for the club. For your information in the past two years the club has collected $380.00 via this fund-raiser. Thanks to all who attend the Village Inn on Thursday and to all who participate in this fund raising event.

Don AD1S and Lyle K4TGO are holding General Classes each Monday at 7:00 PM and Extra Classes at 7:00 PM each Thursday. If you would like to upgrade here is the chance to attend the appropriate classes at no cost other than your book and exam fee. The classes are held at the Hobby Center at the Great Outdoors. For information call Lyle at 264-2479 or Don at 269-3621 or yours truly at 269-2796.

Our next club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 27th at 7:00 PM.

See you there, bring a friend.

Bud K4CWG 73's

Word for the Month: *SOLILOQUIZE*.....we do this when we get frustrated or upset or just tired.....

Abell's Anecdotes by Pike Abell W4PEU

A brick mason had a reputation of being one of the best in the business. Testimony of his skills and craftsmanship was spread far and wide via the grapevine. His problem was that there was no demand for brick layers in the area where he lived. Very little building construction was going on and the ones they were building were made of other types of material.

He was unemployed, had a large family and was having a tough time making ends meet.

A rancher was preparing to build a brick fence around his 64,000 acre ranch. When finished the fence would be a total of 40 miles long. The rancher had already bought the bricks and had them dumped in truckload piles around the perimeter of his ranch.

Hearing of his expertise, the rancher contacted the mason and offered him the job.

The mason, however, would not make a commitment until he traveled several hundred miles by bus to the ranch to find out what it was all about.

The rancher took him out to the fence line, showed him the bricks and explained his offer as follows: "I will pay you top hourly wages. You can work according to your own schedule and pace. I will hire no one else. The job will be all yours. I have a large tenant house, completely furnished. You and your family can live there. I will pay all of the utilities. We have good schools and the school bus stops right at the main gate."

The mason looked at the row of piles of bricks as far as he could see, thought about it for a while, then said to the rancher: "I really appreciate your gracious offer, but I can't take the job."

Obviously surprised, the rancher ask: "Why on earth would you turn down what I feel is a very generous offer?"

The mason simply responded: "Too many bricks! When I start a job, I finish it. I could lay bricks the rest of my life and never finish this job.

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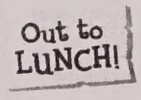
License Courses by Lyle Schultz

Titusville Amateur Radio Club & TGO-Amateur Radio Club
No Morse Code Requirement for FCC Amateur Radio License!
General Class Radio License Review Course, currently running, Exam on 5th of March 2007
Technician Class Radio License Course, Runs 8 weeks, beginning 12 March 2007
Classes held from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm Monday evenings - at the at TGO Hobby Land
Extra Class Radio License Course, Runs 9 weeks, beginning 15th of February 2007
Extra Classes held from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm Thursday evenings - at the at TGO Hobby Land
Instructors: Don Spade, AD1S & Lyle Schultz, K4TGO
No fee for the course, class materials and FCC exam fee required
Books available at class
Contact Lyle Schultz for additional information—321-264-2479



From the Editor by Brian Van Alstine WW4G

Just a note to remind everyone, if you have an input ie... an article, a sale item, or pictures (keep it clean); then email them to me. We will try our best to get it there for all the membership to view. Need all inputs by the 2nd Friday of the month.
top-gun@cfl.rr.com or ww4g@arrl.net

Treasurers Report by Mic Woltman KI4CFA

The Report for the Month of March is as follows

	Mar-07	YTD
Income		*$ 5,150.58*
Membership Dues	$300.00	$603.00
Other Income	$797.00	$974.80
Village Inn Receipts	$0.00	
1/2 & 1/2 Drawing	$19.00	
Shirt Sales	$14.00	
Hamfest (Merch & Tckts)	$764.00	
TOTAL INCOME		**$6,728.38**
Expenses		
Insurance		$138.37
Repeater Telephones	$79.32	$181.46
Christmas Party		$45.00
PO Box Rental		$50.00
Newsletter	$112.49	$112.49
Hamfest Tables (2008)	$50.00	$50.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		**$577.32**
TOTAL Account Balance		**$6,151.06**

February Minutes by Cathy Johnson

On Feb.27, TARC held its monthly meeting. Bob Husband K4WSJ of the Disabled American Vets gave an informative program on services that are available to veterans. Classes are continuing at The Great Outdoors.

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Cathy

FOR SALE

This Space Available For HAM Related Sales Items

Anyone wishing to list equipment items in excess of their needs, then this space is for you.

Ham License Test Sessions

FCC Exams are held anytime convenient to both the applicant and the volunteer examiners. You should probably study up or at least take the practice exams online (perhaps more practice exams) before then. For information on exams and directions contact: Bud Hughes – K4CWG at 269-2796

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Hamfest Calendar

Apr 7 Titusville – N. Brevard ARC, 7am-3pm, 435 Singleton Ave
Apr 28 – 29 Gainesville – Alachua County Fairgrounds, SR222, T.I. 146.82 (123.0)

TARC Local Nets

Red Eye Net: 7.228 MHZ – Sunday, 0600
Friendship Net: 146.910 – Tuesday, 1830
Mosquito Net: 28.333 MHZ USB - Wednesday, 1900
VIP Net: 146.910 MHZ – Thursday, 1000

Other Local Nets:

ARES/RACES Net: 147.135 MHZ – Wednesday, 0900
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ARES/RACES Net: 145.370 MHZ – Wednesday, 1915
ATV Net: 146.940 MHZ – Wednesday, 1945